## St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church

December 12, 2021

## Third Sunday in Advent "Guadete Sunday"



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Current Public Weekend Masses
Vigil ~ 5:00 pm
Sunday ~ 8:00 & 10:30 am

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday PUBLIC Daily Masses

(See Weekly Calendar Inside for times)





Be Not Afraid!

See the Catechism of the Catholic Church, #314.

## Mass Schedule, Intentions and Events

## for the Week of December 11 ~ 19

Saturday, December 11 ~ Vigil for Third Sunday of Advent "Gaudete Sunday" 11:00 am - 12 noon - St. Mary's ~ Fairfield ~ Advent Penance Service:

5:00 PM Viqil MASS - SPECIAL INTENTION FOR DICK & ROXANNE DENNIS' **50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** 

Sunday, December 12 ~ Third Sunday of Advent "Gaudete Sunday"

Zephaniah 3:14-18a > Philippians 4:4-7 > Luke 3:10-18 8:00 AM MASS - PEOPLE OF PARISH

10:30 AM MASS + BEVERLY BLACK

#### SECOND COLLECTION: RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Monday, December 13 ~ St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr Numbers 24:2-7. 15-17a > Matthew 21:23-27 Parish Office CLOSED No MASS



Tuesday, December 14 ~ St. John of the Cross, Priest and

Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13 ♦ Matthew 21:28-32 8:00 am - 2:00 pm ~ Parish Office Open 10: 00 AM MASS + JOANN ESHAM

Doctor of the Church



Wednesday, December 15 ~ Weekday in Advent Isaiah 45:6c-8. 18. 21c-25 ♦ Luke 7:18b-23 8:00 am - 2:00 pm ~ Parish Office Open 10:00 am MASS + JIMMY KLINE

7:00 PM ~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - CONFERENCE ROOM

7:00 pm - Our Lady of Visitation ~ Shippensburg ~ Advent Penance Service

#### **NO CONFESSIONS OR ADORATION THIS EVENING**

Thursday, December 16 ~ Weekday in Advent Isaiah 54:1-10 ♦ Luke 7:24-30 8:00 am - 2:00 pm ~ Parish Office Open 10: 00 AM MASS + WILLIAM A. KUMP, SR.

Friday, December 17 ~ Weekday in Advent Genesis 49:2, 8-10 ♦ Matthew 1:1-17 Parish Office CLOSED 10: 00 AM MASS + FR. JOSEPH K. FAGAN

Saturday, December 18 ~ Weekday in Advent Jeremiah 23:5-8 ♦ Matthew 1:18-25 Church setup for Advent/Christmas

Saturday, December 18 ~ Vigil for Fourth Sunday of Advent 5:00 PM Vigil MASS + Teresa Quigley

Sunday, December 19 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent Micah 5:1-4a > Hebrews 10:5-10 > Luke 1:39-45

8:00 AM MASS - PEOPLE OF PARISH

10:30 AM MASS + CHARLES MCGILLOWAY

3:00 pm - Corpus Christi ~ Chambersburg ~ Advent Penance Service



#### Parish Office Closings for Christmas/New Years

Closed Thursday, December 23 - December 27

Closed Thursday, December 30 - January 3

#### **Retirement Fund for Religious**

Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, and ministering to the less fortunate. Today, many are frail and need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please give generously to today's second collection.





## **2022 Church Calendars are** available in the Church Narthex and Parish Center. Please pick-up after Mass.



Knights of Columbus member Bernie Cabana presenting coats to the Interfaith Shelter.

The Knights of Columbus would once again like to thank you for all your support in donating for the Coats for Tots. Coats were delivered to:

34 - S.C.C.A.P. (Gettysburg)

32 - Inter-Faith Shelter (Harrisburg)

November 24, 2021

MSGR. Louis J. Yeager Knights of Columbus Council No 14035 1095 Church Rd Orrtanna, PA 17353



Dear Friends at MSGR. Louis J. Yeager Knights of Columbus Council No 14035:

With the holiday season upon us we continue to be in awe of the generosity of our community. For it is thanks to your gifts that we enriched the lives of 17,000 families in Adams and Franklin Counties this past year and continue to do so each and every day.

During this global pandemic, we not only maintained our services but expanded them to provide even more resources to local families. We navigated through new programs and initiatives and trained our staff to make the processes of cumbersome applications from numerous funding sources manageable for those applying.

From gleaning over a half million pounds of fresh produce to keeping families in their homes and making landlords whole, SCCAP tirelessly puts your generous dollars to work.

SCCAP made a bold move in late summer and launched a million-dollar endowment campaign to ensure that services would be available in our community as long as there was a need. Once again, the success of where the campaign is right now is thanks to a caring and committed community.

Thank you for choosing to be on this journey with us as we walk beside families, no matter their circumstances, and help them write or re-write their future stories.

We are truly grateful for your confidence in our work and investment in our mission. Wishing you and yours a wonderful holiday season.

Gratefully,

Megan Shreve

Chief Executive Officer

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You are making a difference in the lives of so many.

Official Receipt for: MSGR. Louis J. Yeager Knights of Columbus Council #14035

Date gift received: 11/15/2021

Gift amount: \$ 1,500

Purpose of Gift: Adams County Food Pantries and Emergency Services

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Adams County Main Office 153 North Stratton Street Gettysburg, PA 17325

Franklin County Main Office 533 South Main Street Chambersburg, PA 17201

# Local Advent Penance Service and Extra Confession Times and Christmas Mass Schedule



St. Rita's - Blue Ridge Summit

Penance Service ~ Saturday, December 11 @ 11:00 am ~ noon

Our Lady of the Visitation - Shippensburg

Penance Service ~ Wed., December 15 @ 7:00 pm

Corpus Christi - Chambersburg

Penance Service ~ Sunday, December 19 @ 3:00 pm Penance Service ~ Monday, December 20 @ 7:00 pm

St. Ignatius

Extra Confession Time Wednesday, December 22 ~ 5:00 pm - 6:45pm



<u>Christmas Masses (Holy Day of Obligation)</u> Friday, December 24 ~ 5:00 pm & 8:00 pm Saturday, December 25 ~ 9:00 am

Feast of the Holy Family

Note: NO MASS Saturday evening December 25 Sunday, December 26 ~ 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day)

Friday Vigil, December 31 ~ 5:00 pm Saturday, January 1 ~ 9:00 am

The Epiphany of the LORD

Saturday Vigil, January 1, 2022 ~ 5:00 pm Sunday, January 2 ~ 8:00 am & 10:30 am







# Advent 2021

#### **Getting in Advent frame of mind**

The holiday season can seem more like a test of endurance than preparation for a celebration. In the midst of the seasonal stress, we are asked to reach into ourselves and bring out only what is kind, generous, and loving. It may help to remember that the real reason for the season is the celebration of unimaginable Love.

**Try to see with a Father's eye.** Our Heavenly Father delights in our creation and loves us for exactly who we are. During Advent, try to see yourself through His eyes. Not the flawed human visible to humanity, but the spectacular product of God's divine love and the reflection of His glory.

**Prepare your gift.** Make your gift to Jesus an open heart, ready to receive the love He has for you. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life" John 3:16.

Anticipating an eternity of unimaginable love is absolutely the right Advent frame of mind.



This Sunday marks the halfway point of Advent.
We light the rose candle in the Advent wreath for joy.
During the last two weeks of Advent, the Church
prepares to celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas.

## Blessing of a Christmas Tree

ORD our God, We praise you for the light of creation: the sun, the moon, and the stars of the night. We praise you for the light of Israel: The Law, the prophets, And the wisdom of the Scriptures. We praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son: He is Emmanuel, God-with-us, the Prince of Peace, Who fills us with the wonder of your love. Lord God, Let your blessing come upon us As we illumine this tree. May the light and cheer it gives Be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts May all who delight in this tree Come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Advent Wreath: Traditionally, Advent wreaths are constructed of a circle of evergreen branches into which four candles are inserted, representing the four weeks of Advent. Ideally, three candles are purple and one is rose, but white candles can also be used. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and goods works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, "Gaudete Sunday", when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of REJOICING, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half

over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our LORD's first coming into the world and the anticipation of his Second Coming to judge the living and the dead.



## Bishops approve plans for three-year National Eucharistic Revival

By: Carol Zimmermann | Date: November 17, 2021

BALTIMORE (CNS) — The U.S. bishops' focus on the significance of the Eucharist in the life of the church isn't just about on the statement they approved at their fall meeting.

It also is about something bigger: a three-year Eucharistic revival that will culminate with the National Eucharistic Congress 2024 in Indianapolis.

The bishops approved a motion Nov. 17 during their general assembly in Baltimore to host this congress with 201 votes in favor, 17 against and five abstentions.

Auxiliary Bishop Andrew H. Cozzens of St. Paul and Minneapolis, who was recently named bishop of Crookston, Minnesota, gave the bishops details about this planned revival just before they voted on it.

The bishop, who is chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis, said the revival could be a time of healing for the entire church as well as a movement of evangelization and a reawakening of understanding of the sacrament of the Eucharist for Catholics across the country.

The revival will officially start on the feast of Corpus Christi June 16, 2022, with a diocesan focus that will include Eucharistic processions and other events of adoration and prayer around the country.

In 2023, the emphasis will be on parishes and resources aimed at increasing Catholics' understanding of what the Eucharist really means.

Part of the impetus prompting this effort was a Pew study in the fall of 2019 that showed just 30% of Catholics understand the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

Bishop Cozzens noted the price tag for the National Eucharistic Congress — \$28 million— is expensive, but said it is worth it and can be doable with fundraising.

He said many apostolates and ministries are donating time and resources to help make the Eucharistic revival a reality.

Some bishops questioned the cost of the congress that wraps up this venture, but others spoke about the potential this will have to bring Catholics back to the church and bring those in the church to a deeper sense of devotion and a stronger faith.

Bishop Cozzens pointed out that such large-scale church events can be transformative and said the National Eucharistic Congress may end up being something the Catholic Church revisits 10 years from now.

Blessed Carlo Acutis will be the patron for the first year of the revival. The Italian teen, who was beatified in October 2020, died of leukemia in 2006 at age 15. He was a programmer who used social media to unite many people and spread Christian values.

In his apostolic letter proclaiming the youth "blessed," Pope Francis said he "cultivated a friendship with our LORD Jesus, placing the Eucharist and the witness of charity at the center of his life."



## UPDATE: Communion statement aims to 'retrieve and revive' understanding

By: Carol Zimmermann | November 17, 2021

BALTIMORE (CNS) — The U.S. bishops approved their statement on the Eucharist with 222 "yes" votes Nov. 17, the second of two days of public sessions during their Nov. 15-18 fall general assembly.

Their OK came a day after their discussion of the document — a discussion that took a drastically different tone than their previous debate about what the document could potentially contain during their virtual assembly five months ago.

At that June gathering, a major focus highlighted whether it would address denying Communion to Catholic politicians who support abortion.

Some bishops said a strong rebuke of President Joe Biden, the nation's second Catholic president, should be included in it because of Biden's recent actions protecting and expanding abortion access, while others warned that this would portray the bishops as a partisan force during a time of bitter political divisions across the country.

The document the bishops discussed and approved does not specifically call out Catholic political leaders, but it does more generally point out the seriousness of the sacrament.

The discussion, just prior to the vote, focused on some of the statement's wording. Specific amendments were approved and additional comments about wording changes, that were raised on the floor, did not.

One of the bishops, for example, wanted to add the word "etcetera" after a list of vulnerable people the church was responsible for in order to show its broad inclusion, but the bishops, who had already added to the list to include the unborn, chose not to add the additional descriptor.

As points of discussion, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City, Kansas, outgoing chairman of the U.S. bishops' pro-life committee, stressed the prelates must not forget the responsibility they have to "take care of the souls" of Catholic politicians who do not publicly support church teaching on abortion.

And Bishop Donald E. DeGrood of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, noted that there is a healthy tension for the bishops, to call out what isn't right but to do so in love and to be united as they find ways to apply this new document in their dioceses.

The document on the Eucharist states: "One should not celebrate Mass or receive holy Communion in the state of mortal sin without having sought the sacrament of reconciliation and received absolution."

It also says that if a Catholic in his or her personal life has "knowingly and obstinately" rejected the doctrines of the church or its teaching on moral issues, that person should refrain from receiving Communion because it is "likely to cause scandal for others."

Back in June, at the end of the bishops' discussion of the document, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Indiana, chairman of the bishops' doctrine committee, said the draft would not focus on denying Communion to people but would emphasize the importance of the sacrament.

And in his Nov. 16 presentation of the 26-page statement titled "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church," Bishop Rhoades said it "addresses the fundamental doctrine about the Eucharist that the church needs to retrieve and revive."

In his short presentation to U.S. bishops, followed by just a handful of comments from the floor, the bishop said the document is addressed to all Catholics in the United States and "endeavors to explain the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of the church."

He also said it is intended to be a theological contribution to the bishops' strategic plan and to the bishops' planned Eucharistic revival "by providing a doctrinal resource for parishes, catechists and the faithful."

Just after the bishops voted to approve the document, which had eight dissents and three abstentions, a few bishops spoke with Catholic News Service about the process from the virtual June meeting — where the proposal to draft this statement was presented — until now.

Baltimore Archbishop William E. Lori said the June discussion was a valuable one and that "even on Zoom, I think the Holy Spirit can operate."

He said the lengthy discussion at the time led the bishops to "what kind of a document we actually needed and wanted, and it emerged clearly, for me at least, that it was to be pastoral document."

Bishop John E. Stowe of Lexington, Kentucky, said it was "hard to have a good debate virtually" and that in the months between the two meetings, the document's language "changed from being about the presidential election to about the introduction of a Eucharistic revival."

"I don't think anyone wants to see the division in the conference being headlined and unfortunately that became the narrative," he said.

The lack of debate on the document during the November meeting didn't surprise him because, he said, "it's been moving in that direction." He also said there was a desire among the bishops for unity and that their executive session before the public sessions gave them the chance to discuss and work things out among themselves.

"Some of us are simply relieved that we're not getting into the debate about who can receive Communion," he added.

Archbishop Lori said many media outlets portrayed the document as one that would "deny holy Communion to politicians who oppose the church's teaching on abortion."

"Certainly, we are very cognizant of that challenge." he said, "but at the same time, this had an eminently pastoral intent and it deals with the question of worthiness to receive holy Communion in a way that applies to all of us."

"It's something all of us ought to be thinking about, myself very much included," he added.

Discussion from the floor included a request from Bishop Peter Baldacchino of Las Cruces, New Mexico, that the document include more about the paschal mystery, or the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Bishop Richard F. Stika of Knoxville, Tennessee, wondered how the document would be understood by college students, high schoolers or children, noting that "a lot of it's over their heads" and they would have to have some kind of theological foundation to grasp it.

"We have these beautiful, beautiful documents that sometimes are just ignored," he said, suggesting that it should be made "more readable and understandable."

In response, Bishop Rhoades said the document "as it stands is really meant for adults," but he could see it being used in high schools with a teacher who would explain it better. He also said it could be developed by publishers as a resource for catechesis for grade school students.

Bishop Timothy L. Doherty of Lafayette, Indiana, said the work put in "laboring over texts should not discourage us," pointing out that often language falls short but that the church has many other means at its disposal to express the faith such as music, dance, poetry and visuals.

The document explains the importance of Communion, often calling it a gift, and uses references from Scripture, prayers of the church and Second Vatican Council documents to back this up. It also explains, citing words of the saints, how Communion is not just a symbol but the real presence of Christ.

This transformation of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ, the document says, is "one of the central mysteries of the Catholic faith" which is a "doorway through which we, like the saints and mystics before us, may enter into a deeper perception" of God's presence. It notes, almost halfway through, that the Vatican II document "Lumen Gentium" (The Dogmatic Constitution on the Church) describes the Eucharist as "the source and summit of the Christian life." It also says that as Catholics understand what the Eucharist means, they should more fully participate in Mass and also reach out to serve those in need, citing the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which says: "The Eucharist commits us to the poor."

It concludes with examples of saints who were transformed by their reception of the Eucharist and their deep understanding of what it means.

This heavily footnoted statement also has a pastoral message urging those who have left the church to come back. It ties this return back to the Eucharist quoting St. Teresa of Kolkata, who said: "Once you understand the Eucharist, you can never leave the church. Not because the church won't let you but because your heart won't let you."

## The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church

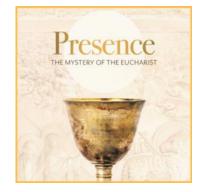
The document *The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church* was developed by the Committee on Doctrine of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). It was approved by the full body of the USCCB at its November 2021 General Meeting and has been authorized for publication.

Watch a free two-hour <u>online course</u>, presented by Bishop Andrew Cozzens, on the new document! <u>Click here</u> to access the course. Revive Parishes.com/eucharist

The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church.pdf

usccb.org/resources/ themysteryofthe eucharistinthelifeofthechurch





## 4 Collection Weeks for the month of November

Thank You to all those who have been sending in their envelopes and contributions.

<u>Weekend</u>	Col	<u>lections</u>
Sunday		

Retirement of Religious

Sunday	\$	16,813.10
Candles/Living Faith	\$	301.20
Altar Flowers	\$	N/A
Parish Second Collections		
Local Poor	\$	20.00
All Souls	\$	1,696.00
Thanksgiving	\$	597.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	425.00
Other Income		
Note Cards	\$	50.00
Holy Day		
All Saints	\$	630.00
Immaculate Conception	\$	10.00
Christmas	\$	10.00
TOTAL OFFERINGS	\$22,084.30	
Diocesan Second Collections		
Matthew 25`	\$ 1,481.00	





I was shocked, confused, bewildered as I entered Heaven's door, Not by the beauty of it all, nor the lights or the décor. But it was the folks in heaven who made me sputter and gasp - The thieves, the liars, the sinners, the alcoholics and the trash.

There stood the kid from seventh grade who swiped my lunch money twice, looking next to him was my old neighbor who never said anything nice. John, who I always thought was rotting away in hell, was sitting pretty on cloud nine, looking incredibly well.

I nudged Jesus, "What's the deal? I would love to hear your take. How'd all these sinners get up here? God must have made a mistake. And why's everyone so quiet, so somber—give me a clue" "Hush, child,"

He said, "they're all in shock.

No one thought they'd be seeing you!"

Thanks to Ron Peura

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS



TO ALL IN OUR
PARISH FAMILY
CELEBRATING IN
DECEMBER!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE DIOCESE:**

#### **Catholic Charities Come and See Appeal**

28.00

Because of the continuing challenges with the coronavirus pandemic, there will not be an in-person Catholic Charities Come and See Dinner this year.

However, your support of this appeal is still very much needed. Donations to the Come and See Appeal raise important financial support for the Catholic Charities Homes for Healing - Evergreen House (for women recovering from addiction), Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families, and Lourdeshouse Maternity Home.

Secured online contributions can be made via the www.cchbg.org website.

For more information, contact Christopher Meehan, Catholic Charities Director of Development, at cmeehan@cchbg.org or 717-657-4804 ext 284. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

#### <u>Donations Needed for</u> <u>Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families</u>

Interfaith Shelter for Homeless Families (a Catholic Charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is in need of laundry detergent, disposable masks, body/hand lotion, conditioner, and copy paper. Donations can be taken to the Diocesan Center (4800 Union Deposit Road in Harrisburg) or to the shelter (120 Willow Way in Harrisburg). Please call the shelter at 717-652-8740 prior to taking items to the facility.

Thank you for your generosity!

#### Not willing to let go of your marriage?

Many couples continue to struggle in a marriage but are not willing to give up on each other. There is hope. Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. For more information about the January 28-30, 2022 weekend for couples, contact the registration team at retrouvaillehbg@gmail.com or 717-356-2185.

### Please Pray for:

Coronavirus victims and those who are ill, Rebecca Baldwin & Bruce & Sara, Jim & Jeanie Kline, Danielle, Chris Kimple, Trey, Gene & Jo-Ann McDannell, Chad McDannell, Baby Long & parents, Robert Riquet, Bob & Donna Doxzen, Kimberly Mears, Gabriella Angello, Alexander, Lena Swartz, Mark & Kate Morrow, Denyel, Calvin Cramer, Mark Morris, Linda Fogleman, Paul Knight, Dennis Turner, David, George & Barbara Erstila, Jeff Carpenter, Nelson Harmon, Cole & Connor, Mickie & Larry Schneider, Sheila, Joe & Lisa Grasel, Diane Slothour, Sue McDannell, Ange Pena, Julie Barnhart, Shaffer family, Em Dickerson, Endy Family, Brad Pabody, Adeline Lienard, Michael & daughter, Mike Huete, Aiden Tyler Schneider, Karrie McCall & daughter, George Shahid, Heather, Dorothy Vega, Mande, Marylyn Sobun, Drew Schneider & Family, Paul Ward, Ida Bloomfield, Sandy Jackson, Linda McDannell, Ted, Janie Singley, Robbie, Mary Beth Greenstreet, Rick Benedict, Nelson Salem, Ryan, Kathe Fogleman, Collen & Tom Allen, James, Sam Sheffler, Joseph Whalen, Eileen, Kate Hemmis, Salem Shunnarah, Lana, Dennis Oehmsen, Baby Hannah, Jean, Bill Graham, Joanna Hodges, John Varones, Joan O'Sullivan, Donna, Martha Klinger, Lisa Dionne Lauretti, Sue Orndorff, Jim Gleason, Sue Gustafson, Rosemary McGilloway, Michelle Cleary, Dalton, Kim Johnson, Helen Mills, Ray Haber, Haley Detman, Fr. Bill Sullivan, Kathy, Jan Patla, Joe Durovey, Bev Smith, Donald Sheppard, Jenn, Ursula Kaley, Linda Mumaugh, Alison Haring, Hank & Loretta, Janet Hartman, Edward Johnson, Mary Irwin, Angela Galeone, Juliete Lang, Chris MacBeth, Harry Graham, Donald Howard, Armond Binni, Troy Weishaar, Elizabeth Stansky, Pat Johnson, Chris Morris, Peg Hippensteel, Faud Doaney, Rae Harmand, Marlene Iannotti, Patrick Glass, Helen Lagasse, Nancy Kewisnek, Maureen McGilloway Collins, Anji Eisenhart, Andy Graham, Monica Manner, Denny Borbonus, Paul & Helen Myers Scarlata, Mary Hawthorne, Ed Washington, Josh Kempinski, Nancy Baker Baltzey, Spencer Propts, Assour and Abuhajaze, Karlton Smith & Cheryl Sobun, Marlene Webster, Yvette Stoklosa, Andy Consiglio, Bill & Michelle Cloonan, Emile Shunnarah, Janet Shunnarah, Gorge Shunnarah, Bill & Deb McClintock, Mary Pekich, all nursing home residents, shut-ins, all parishioners, and all private intentions.

Also In your prayers please also remember all our men and women who are currently in our Armed Forces who are on active duty.

Pray for them, their families, and for their safe return.

Maj. Nathan Jeffcoat - Marines, Lt. Alexandra Jeffcoat - Navy, Lt. Joseph Cleary - Navy, Michael C. Kenney IV - Coast Guard, Joshua Kimple - Army, Lt. Sarah Fogleman, M.D. - Navy CPT.

If you have a family member or someone who you would like listed in the bulletin for the parish prayer chain to pray for, contact:

Mickie Schneider at hlsforts@centurylink.net or 642-8501 or Helen Lagasse @ 352-4339.



#### *In the charity of your prayers, please remember:*

#### Edwin Kraus

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Doug & Terry Edwards and the entire family. Please keep their family in your prayers. May they all be embraced by consolation and peace.

+ Eternal Rest grant unto him and may the Perpetual Light shine upon him +

Would your family like to have the Blessing of bringing up the offertory gifts to the Altar?

There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex.

Families for the weekend of: December 18 & 19

5:00 pm - Edna Redding & Family

8:00 am - open

10:30 am - open



The Sanctuary Candle reminds us of the Presence of Jesus Christ in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Sanctuary Candle in the church is Offered for the month of December In Memory of

<u>Donald Redding 4 daughter Teresa Quigley</u>

from

Edna Redding

#### Ministers' Reading Schedule

December 11/12

DECEMBER 11/1.

5:00 pm - Open

8:00 am - Beth Gilbert

10:30 am - Mary Lou Graham

December 18/19

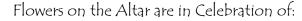
5:00 pm - Mark Schur

8:00 am - Tim McGinn

10:30 am - Dodie Huete

For the intention of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, for the month of December:

That the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God, may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.





## Dick & Roxanne Dennis' 50th Wedding Anniversary



The flower arrangement is to honor the Gift of Life. from Pete & Grace Dennis and Donald & Edna Redding

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Please Remember ...

When turning in your Christmas Flower envelopes to please print the name of the loved one whom you'd like to have In Memory of or In Honor of.

#### IF YOU ARE TRAVELING this Fall

remember you can check for local Parish Mass times at:



(US only) 1.858.207.6277 or www.masstimes.org.

#### PRAYER SHAWLS

They also can be called Comfort Shawls, Peace Shawls.

The people who make these Lap blankets for the sick are praying as each stitch is made in the blankets.

When the blankets are completed they are blessed.

The person that is wrapped in the blanket is wrapped in prayer.

If you would like to help make shawls or if you know someone who needs a prayer shawl please call Terry Edwards @ 352-9112 or the parish office.

#### St. Ignatius Cemetery

Wild winds are blowing in the cemetery.
Please be sure that all
Christmas Wreaths/arrangements are fastened well!



Did you know...

You can have flowers on the Altar in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion?

If you would like to donate to this, contact Diana Stouffer

512-517-9997

# "Rejoice in the LORD always. I shall say it again: rejoice! The LORD is near."

#### **Two Simple Tips for the Advent and Christmas Season**

1. Read slowly and pray through the two Infancy Narratives in the New Testament

- \* The Gospel of Matthew, Chapters 1 and 2
- \* The Gospel of Luke, Chapters 1 and 2
- 2. The Christmas Season is the celebration of the God-Man come to dwell among us, to show us His love, to reconcile us to the Father, and to make us partakers in the divine nature. His Second Coming will be in splendor, but His First Coming (His Nativity) was in poverty.
  - \* Make a financial contribution to a Catholic charity that helps the poor.
- \* Do some work of charity specifically for the poor, e.g. spend part of a day working in a soup kitchen, homeless shelter, etc.
  - \* Give to a pro-life charity.
  - \* Speak about the goodness of human life.
- \* If married, live chastely according to your state of life, and keep the marital act open to the possibility of new life, welcoming babies generously should God grant this great gift.
  - If unmarried, be a living witness to the spiritual power of perfect chastity.



Upcoming Second Collections:

December

12 ~ Retirement for Religious

Food for the Spirit:

God wants full custody not just weekend visitation.

# Justice shall flourish, in this time,

#### Sacrament of Penance

Wednesday  $\sim 6:00 - 7:00$  pm; or by appointment.

#### Sacrament of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick should be given if an individual is gravely ill or near death. If possible, the Sacrament should also be administered before major surgery or when one is initially hospitalized.

#### Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

Diocesan policy requires 12 months of preparation for Marriage. Contact the parish as soon as possible after engagement. No arrangements should be made prior to consultation with the pastor.

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Parents must be registered members of the parish and attend a Baptism preparation class prior to the Baptism if this is your first child baptized. Requirements for godparents are established by the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for Information and to register your child for Baptism.

#### Parish Registration

All Catholics should be registered in their local parish. Please contact the parish office to obtain registration forms, or if you are uncertain of the parish where you should register.

#### Parish Staff & Ministries Directory

Parish Secretary ~ Sue Switzer ~ 717-677-8012 ~ sswitzer@hbgdiocese.org

Financial Manager ~ Deacon Steve Huete ~ 717-677-8012/677-0682/816-9600 (cell) ~ shuete@hbgdiocese.org

Coordinator of Religious Education ~ contact the Parish Office

Buildings & Grounds ~ JB Groff ~ 717-677-8012



#### **Parish Council Members**

Kathleen Allwein Donnie Althoff Jim Bittle Danielle Cramer Joanne Riedel Dr. Bob Ternes Walt Wilson

#### Covid-19 Task Force

Walt Wilson - Coordinator Health Advisors -Dr. Robert Ternes and Joanne Cochran (Keystone Health System)

#### **Finance Council Members**

Deacon Steve Huete (Ex Officio) - 677-8012 Greg Ernst - Chair Christy Hemler - Secretary Diane MacBeth Phil Mobley Terri Pendleton



#### Life After Loss

Dodie Huete OCIA

Contact Fr. Dominic
Picnic Co-Chairpersons

John Neiderer Wally Kane Prayer Chain

<u>Prayer Chain</u> Mickie Schneider -

hlsforts@centurylink.net Helen Lagasse

OPEN Soup Kitchen

**Pro-Life Ministry** 

Please send donations directly to "Soup Kitchen"

Website Development
Erin Switzer -

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Call the Parish Office for Contact Information



**Altar Flowers** 

### **Diocese of Harrisburg Youth Protection Program**

www.YouthProtectionHBG.com
Abuse Reporting Contact Information

First – Call the toll-free PA Child Abuse Hotline at 800-932-0313 Then – Call the Diocesan toll-free hotline at 800-626-1608

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it." (1 Cor 12:26)

